

COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES
MEETING MINUTES OF
February 27, 2006

Present: Chair Cooney, Berger, Bunker, Fort, Longley-Cook, Lord-Hausman, Moore

Absent/Excused: Vice-Chair Gwynne , Steffens

Guests: Barry Bergman (Alameda Public Works), Susan Decker (Alameda Transit Advocates)
Rob Bonta (Social Services Human Relations Board), Alex Plumb (Bike Alameda)

MINUTES: The minutes of December 12, 2005 were approved with the following correction: Change Old Business Item No. 1 by capitalizing Commission and change Oral Communications Item No. 3 "A youth film festival will be held on February 25, 2006 at the Bay Theatre, Alameda Pointe." to "A youth film festival will be held on February 25, 2006 at the Auctions by the Bay, Bay Theatre, Alameda Pointe."

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Alameda Transit Advocates:

Ms. Susan Decker, a member of Alameda Transit Advocates (ATA), stated that the aims of ATA were convenient, reliable Public Transportation. Other aims are to get more bus shelters and more red curbs at bus stops. The ATA has quarterly meetings, the next one being next month. She handed out flyers describing their next meeting.

2. Potential Project Locations for Pedestrian Plan:

Barry Bergman, Program Specialist, Described the pedestrian plan that is just getting started and solicited input from the Commission on problem intersections. The Commission identified the following intersections; 1- Atlantic and Webster, 2- Central and Webster, 3- Taylor and Webster, 4- Lincoln and Park St., 5- Otis and Park St., 6- Central and Chestnut, 7- Central and Page, 8- Broadway and Blanding, 9- Island Drive at the Safeway exit, 10- McCartney and Ironwood, 11- Webster and Buena Vista, 12- Atlantic between Webster and Constitution, 13- Pacific and Constitution, 14 8th and Lincoln, 15- Constitution and Marina Village Parkway.

3. Social Services Human Relations Board:

Rob Bonta, President of the Social Services Human Relations Board, described the purpose of the Board. The Board communicates to the Council, public needs and interacts with public programs. They work with Alameda Hospital, Recreation and Parks, police and the Mastick

Senior Center. He presented the results of a recent survey about percentages of families that have members with disabilities and people that have stress anxieties and suffer depression.

OLD BUSINESS:

Status of Accommodation Recommendations:

Chair Cooney will present report on providing costs of various Braille transcription/sign language interpreters at the next Commission meeting.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: none

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Commissioner Audrey Lord-Hausman read a courtesy notice that can be placed on cars that park on the sidewalks.
2. Commissioner Adrienne Longley-Cook reported on the Alameda Point Collaborative meeting and their plans for a bicycle repair program.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 27, 2006 in Room 360, City Hall.

Sincerely,

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Public Works Director

Robert Claire
Associate Civil Engineer

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